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Ref: (a) ASD(HA) memo of 17 Nov 1998
(b) ASD(HA) policy memo 98-034 of 27 Apr 98
(c) ASD(HA) policy memo 98-013 of 23 Jan 98

1. Following ASD Health Affairs policy published in the references, all Navy Medical Treatment Facilities will adhere to the mandatory requirement to use Committed Use Contracts as jointly negotiated by the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) and Department of Defense (DoD). Contracts of this type include Pharmacy and Medical/Surgical Prime Vendor contracts. Commanding Officers must ensure that adequate controls are in place to ensure local procurement and purchase card authority is not used to circumvent this requirement.

2. Committed Use Contracts will become more prevalent as we move into implementation of regional medical logistics support programs within each DoD healthcare region. The Army Surgeon General, as the DoD Executive Agent for the Tri-Service Medical Logistics Support Program, is currently staffing implementation guidance. Regionalization, standardization and consolidation of requirements has a huge potential to save money and gain efficiencies for the MHS.

3. Navy MTF Commanders are expected to treat existing Committed Use Contracts as mandatory for their facilities and should take an active role in supporting the identification of new opportunities for standardization, especially as implementation of regional logistics gains momentum. Consolidation of requirements and volume purchasing is a key component of our MHS strategy.

4. The references can be found on the NMMLC web page at www-nmlc.med.navy.mil. My point of contact is LCDR William P. Bradley who may be reached at (301) 619-2084, DSN 343-2084 or by E-mail at wbradley@nm110.med.navy.mil.


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